Sl.No.	Name of the courses	Duration
6.	Diploma in MRW Course	1 1/2 years
7.	Diploma in Tool & Die Making	4 years
8.	Diploma in CAD/CAM	1 year
9.	Certificate in Prosthetic & Orthotics	1 year
10.	Diploma in Rehabilitation Therapy	2 1/2 years
11.	Master in Physiotherapy/Occupational Therapy & Prosthetics and Orthotics	2 years
12.	Training Programme for student of St. John Ambulance Association	3 months

Education for handicapped children

2732. SHRI T.T.V. DHINAKARAN: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the hardships faced by handicapped children in getting education even under the Universal Education Scheme 'Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan' due to their special requirements;

(b) the steps Government propose to take for giving proper education to the handicapped children; and

(c) whether Government would set up at least one school in every district to take special care of the needs of such children for pursuing their education without any hurdle?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN): (a) No such report has been received.

(b) and (c) The following schemes are under implementation for providing education to the children with disabilities:-

(i) Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) has a goal of eight years of elementary schooling to all children including children with disabilities in the age group of 6-14 years by 2010. The thrust in the programme is on providing integrated and inclusive education to the children with special needs in general schools. The

programme supports wide range of approaches, options and strategies. This *inter alia* includes open learning system and open schools, alternative schooling, distance education and learning, special schools wherever necessary, home based education, itinerant teacher model, remedial teaching, part time classes, community based rehabilitation (CBR) and vocational education.

(ii) The integrated Education of Disabled Children (IEDC) Scheme promotes integrated education in schools by providing 100% financial assistance for creation of appropriate infrastructure, educational material and training to general school teachers to meet the requirement of children with special needs.

(iii) Under the Deendayal Disabled Rehabilitation Scheme (DDRS), financial assistance is provided to Non-Governmental Organizations for imparting education and life skills to children with disabilities in special schools.

Discrimination against persons with disabilities

2733. SHRI HARISH RAWAT:
SHRI K.B. KRISHNA MURTHY:
SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:
SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that C&AG has pointed out discrimination against persons with disabilities in the area of education, employment, public transportation and access to public buildings and services in all walks of life;

(b) if so, the steps taken to check such discrimination; and

(c) the details of the programme implemented for treatment, rehabilitation, welfare and economic development of the persons with disabilites?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN):(a) and (d) The Comptroller and Auditor General of India (C&AG) had conducted